



# and your computer can both read this

ABCDEFGH abcdefgh  
 IJKLMNOP i j k l m n o p  
 QRSTUVWX q r s t u v w x  
 YZ \* + , - . / y z m ð ø æ  
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 £ \$ % ; < > ?  
 8 9 [ @ ! # & , ]  
 ( = ) " ' ` ^ ~ ` ~`  
 Ä Ö Å Ñ Ü Æ Ø ↑ ≤ ≥ × ÷ ° ¨

Above: The complete ECMA 'B' font with numerals and symbols. The ICL version is a subset of this.

Computers have been very choosy, not only about the languages they can speak but also the characters they can read. For a long time, it was nothing but dots and spots—as holes in cards, as holes in paper tape, or spots on magnetic tape or discs. Then pencil dashes on cards or paper. But always man (or woman to be precise) had to translate from our alphabet into the computer's. This translation was an extra step in the data processing work-flow. A step subject to human error—so it had to be re-done as a check.

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